

"Extract from Entry from Marouis KIDO's Diary, 26 Nov 41"

I met HARA, President of the Privy Council, to consult with him about a Senior Statesmen's conference. I saw the Emperor from 11:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. He said that as for the future outlook of the Japanese-American talks it was feared to our regret that the worst might come to the worst. Under these circumstances, our final decisions as to the war should be carried into practice after another Senior Statesmen's conference which should be convened to have broader and more complete discussions on the matter. The Emperor also said that he wanted to tell his idea to Premier TOJO.

I answered as follows: "As we are going to decide on the final course of a grave action which can never be undone, Your Majesty had better freely put any questions and express your opinions, so that we may not rue the day when we were tempted to do such a thing."

木 戸 侯 館 日 記

昭和十六年十一月二十六日分

十一月二十六日（水）晴

午前九時半伊藤文吉男ヲ訪問金子氏ヨリ候願ノ
縁談ニツキ話ス

十時半出陣「原」相ト重臣會議云々ニツキ談
ス

十一時十五分ヨリ同四十五分遊舞謁ス

日米會議ニツキ御話アリ見送トシテハ遺憾ナガ
ラ最悪ナル場面ニ達着スルニアラズヤト恐レラ
ル、トコロ愈々最後ノ決意ヲナスニ就テハ尙一
度度々重臣ヲ會シテ意見ヲ征シテハ如何カト思
フ就テハ右ノ氣勢ヲ東條ニ訴テ見タイト思フガ
ドウデアラウカトノ御下問アリ在ツテ大要左ノ
如ク奉答ス

今度御決意^被達ハ眞ニ後へハ引カレヌ最後ノ御
決定デアリマスノテ御不審ノ點其ノ他コウモシ
テ見ヨウア、モシテ見ヨウト云フ様ナ御氣勢ガ
アル様デアレバ御遺憾ナク仰セ戦キ御上トシテ
モ後ニ省リテ悔ノナイ丈ノ御處置ガ願ハシイト
存ジマス其ノ意味テ御遺憾ナク首相ニ御申付相
成リマシテ宜シイト存ジマス」

EX 1190

Doc 1632W(85)

1.

2.

Doc 1632 W (85)

今朝六時半賀陽宮大相殿下苑去投進タルニツキ
午後一時官邸ニ伺候罷候

松浦別宅ニ面會御悔言上方より依頼ス

二時半東條首相拜謁後面談重臣會議ニツキ御下
問アリタル趣ヲ以テ相談アリシ故通ニ奉答ノ趣
旨ヲ傳へ御上ノ御氣持ノ消セラルル様希望ス

三時半外務次官官舎ニ於ケル小村侯三十年祭式
場ニ至リ拜禮シテ歸宅

五時は松浦來訪面談